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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant:

JAMES E. TURNER et al.

Filed: June 8, 1990

Serial No.: 07/535,967

For: NICOTINE-IMPERMEABLE
CONTAINER AND METHOD OF
FABRICATING THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 3302
see OR

Examiner: Jennifer Doyle

Atty Ref: A89675US

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 1992, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

12. (Twice amended) A cartridge for a nicotine inhaler, comprising:

- a) a cartridge housing;
- b) a passageway in said cartridge housing;
- c) a nicotine reservoir in said passageway for holding a measured amount of nicotine in a form that will allow nicotine vapor to be released into a fluid stream passing around or through the reservoir;
- d) said passageway comprising at least two openings communicating outside said housing for allowing a fluid stream to pass through said passageway; [and]
- e) said nicotine reservoir being sealed from the atmosphere and maintained in an effectively oxygen-free environment by a nicotine-impermeable barrier which includes passageway barrier portions for sealing the passageway on both sides of the reservoir,